26 June 1986

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Enclosed for your information are the minutes from the 23 June 1986 meeting of the Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC).

As noted on page 4, another supplemental 60-percent design review will be held, this time for residents of Section 7 of the Evermay Community. All regular TAC members are free to attend, at the time and place indicated.

Sincerely,

Chairman, Traffic Advisory Committee

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CIA Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

23 June 1986

On 23 June 1986, the twelfth meeting of the CIA Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) was held in the Dolley Madison Library, McLean, Virginia. The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. He stated that the purpose of the meeting was to review those items in the detailed Route 123 Roadway Improvement design package that have changed since the last review in mid-April 1986. He then introduced Mr. John Fowler of Dewberry and Davis to make the formal technical presentation.

Mr. Fowler stated that, while there had not been many significant design changes since the last review, three design features had been added. They were:

- 1. A second outbound lane has been added to Potomac School Road at the Potomac School Road/Route 123 intersection, at the request of the Evermay Community Association. The signals at this intersection will be set up so that the right hand lane is for right turn and through traffic while the left lane is for left turn traffic only.
- 2. The Virginia Department of Highways and Transportation (VDH&T) has authorized a traffic signal at the Savile Lane/Route 123 intersection. This addition has been incorporated into the CIA's Roadway Improvement Program.
- 3. The development of three detailed designs for the aesthetic screening of the Evermay Section 7 Community from the Route 193 roadway between approximately Turkey Run Farm Road and Route 123.

Ms. Lilla Richards, representing the McLean Citizens Association, asked whether there would be a merge lane at Potomac School Road. Mr. Fowler stated that there would be none since this was a signalized intersection. Mr. Fowler also stated that there is a separate right turn lane onto Merchant's Lane at the Merchant's Lane/Route 123 intersection.

Mr. Maxfield inquired whether the signals would operate continuously. Mr. Fowler stated that all the signals would be interconnected and that they had a great deal of flexibility on how they could be programmed.

Ms. Richards asked whether there would be any pedestrian lights at the Route 123/Route 193/Potomac School Road intersection. Mr. Fowler responded that there would be none. Ms. Richards inquired as to the disposition of

the trail along Route 123 fronting Section 7 of the Evermay Community. Mr. Fowler stated that the Fairfax County Trail Plan calls for a trail along the north side of Route 123 and the north side of Route 193. He had been advised by Fairfax County that it remains an official element of the County Trail Plan and that it should be retained. He stated that the present design shows the trail left in place with a modification near a drainage culvert to provide a proper shoulder on the road.

Mr. Maxfield indicated he had different information from the County and inquired at what time the decision must be made to keep the trail or remove it. Mr. Fowler stated that that decision could be made as late as the 95-percent design review.

Mr. Fowler stated that the most significant issue still pending is the aesthetic screening of the Evermay Section 7 Community, as indicated above. Mr. Fowler stated that four alternative designs were available:

- 1. Leave the area substantially as it presently is, to preserve existing trees, but add supplemental landscaping.
- 2. Same as Option 1, supplemented by the addition of a precast barrier.
- 3. Regrade the area to provide the maximum height berm achievable within the geography of the limited VDH&T right-of-way, and add a six-foot high precast concrete barrier on the top of the berm.
- 4. Same as Option 3 except increase the barrier height to eight feet.
- Mr. Fowler presented scaled artist's conceptions for three of the options. He then presented the approximate effective screen heights of each design as viewed from 6290, 6292, 6294, and 6296 Dunaway Court. These values depended on the option under discussion and the specific elevations of the backyard area of each property involved. The range of effective screening varied from 11 to 14 feet.
- Mr. Maxfield asked whether the barrier could be extended beyond its present limit in the Turkey Run Access Rd/Route 193 area. Mr. Fowler indicated not, due to the cost that would be incurred.
- Ms. Richards asked for the spacing relationship between the existing wall along Route 123 and the proposed barrier. Mr. Fowler stated there would be an approximate 2-foot gap between the two structures.
- Mr. Maxfield asked what the area would look like from the Turkey Run Access Road area. Mr. Fowler stated that one would see basically supplemental vegetation due the the narrow VDH&T right-of-way in that area.

Mr. Maxfield stated that these options were identical to those
presented last time except they have been fleshed out. Mr. Fowler
responded that that was correct. asked why, at this time,
should options other than those previously agreed to be considered.
Mr. Maxfield stated that since there would be no increase in traffic on
Route 193, there would be no need for an additional lane on Route 193. He
stated that the residents don't see the need for this additional lane but
would go along with the concept if suitable sight and noise abatement
procedures were taken. He stated that he thought Congressman Wolf's office
had indicated that everything would be looked at. stated that
what is being presented are those options which are left after a long
review and distillation process. They are the surviving options which the
CIA and VDH&T are presenting to the community for selection. Mr. Carlin,
representing Congressman Wolf, stated that he thinks the entire gamut of
possibilities has been considered. Mr. Maxfield again questioned the need
for the addditional lane. Mr. Carlin stated that this additional lane was
a firm part of the design and that, at his request, the CIA had looked at
alternatives within the previously approved design concept but had rejected
them for one valid reason or another.

Ms. Richards asked if anything special was planned for the traffic island (triangle) at the Route 123 egress point onto eastbound Route 193. Mr. Fowler responded that there would be grass and low-growing vegetation. The trail also cuts across this traffic island. Ms. Richards asked how children from Evermay would get to Turkey Run Park. Mr. Fowler stated there would be no direct path and traced the route on the drawing. Pedestrians would cross a single lane of traffic at the traffic island to the north side of Route 193. Mr. Fowler stated that although not ideal, this would be preferable to crossing four lanes of traffic as would be required if a straight line were drawn from Evermay to the park and in fact was the best design possible in this situation.

Mr. Maxfield asked whether there was a traffic signal at the Turkey Run Access Road/Route 193 intersection. Mr. Fowler stated there is no traffic light at that intersection.

Mr. McLeod asked what happens to the power pole in the area. Mr. Fowler stated that the final disposition of the pole is up to Virginia Power but that he feels it would be relocated to the new traffic island in the area.

Mr. Maxfield stated that he would like the residents who live in the Evermay SEction 7 Community to hear this presentation. stated that he could not commit to getting all the participants together in the timeframe necessary so as not to further delay this project, but that he would attempt to schedule participation of the Government representatives if Mr. Maxfield would schedule the interested residents. A target

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timeframe to hold the meeting would be one week from today.

stated he would contact Mr. Maxfield by 12 noon on 24 June to schedule this meeting if possible. (N.B. Such a meeting was, on 24 June 1986, scheduled for 1 July 1986 at 7:30 p.m. at the McLean Community Center.)

Mr. Maxfield asked what the maximum height of a barrier could be. Mr. Fowler stated that from an engineering standpoint, it would be difficult to put a limit on it because it really depends on how much money you want to spend and on the foundation characteristics of a large structure. He indicated that anything over about 10 feet in height would become a structural problem.

Mr. McLeod stated that he thought at the last review the landscape drawing showed a lot more trees on it in the vicinity of the abandoned eastbound Route 123 roadway. Mr. Fowler stated that the old road bed would be removed and the entire area landscaped to give it the appearance of natural parkland. He stated that there was no real change to these drawings from the last review.

Ms. Richards inquired whether the citizens' association could put some trees in the area. Mr. Gehr responded positively.

Mr. Ciccone asked whether the evergreens on the south side of the old roadway would be left. Mr. Fowler responded that they would.

The Chairman asked whether there were any other questions or issues to be raised. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Attachment List of attendees STAT

TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ATTENDEES 23 JUNE 1986

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